

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

MAY 90

Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on May Show artists.

FULL NAME: Mary Owen Rosenthal

PRESENT POSITION Editor, NOVA Quarterly

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: August 9, 1928, Huntington, WY

CATEGORY/PRIMARY MEDIA: woodcut prints

ART TRAINING (Schools, Scholarships, etc.):

Oberlin College, B.A. 1950
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Western Michigan University MA. 1980, M.F.A. 1983

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN (include location and year):

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one person: Trumbull Art Gall. (Warren, OH 1990); College of Wooster, (Wooster, OH 1989)

COLLECTIONS THAT NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph, MI

Western Michigan U., Kalamazoo, MI

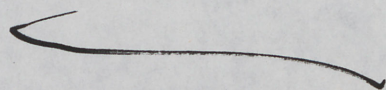
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These prints are printed by hand on Tableau roll paper, and cut from large sheets of plywood. I have always worked with transparent and/or reflected images quite a bit, probably because I lived on the waterfront in Michigan for a number of years before

returning to Ohio in 1986, and did quite a bit of ~~me~~ drawing and painting of representational waterfront scenes. I have gradually added more figurative imagery, because I like to draw the figure, so that by now the actual references to water are fewer. I also borrow from art of the past, (not always intentionally). The figure preparing to dive into the water is a reference to a very large Matisse painting in the Art Institute of Chicago. I have spent a lot of time there from childhood on, and the collection is a large part of my art consciousness. The stars, waves, falling figures are not personal symbols, but just things I thought might fit in well, and look good.

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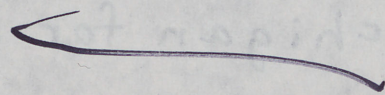
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Clemson U. Print & Drawing, 1989

Print Club, Philadelphia, 1987

Governor's Residence, 1987-88 (Ohio)

Women's City Club (Cleveland) 1988

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MARY OWEN ROSENTHAL
 260 Forest Street
 Oberlin, Ohio 44074
 216/775-0736

Education

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 Western Michigan University, M.A., 1980(studio art)
 Cleveland Institute of Art, (B.F.A. program) 1975-78
 Oberlin College, B.A., English Literature, 1950

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

1989 Clemson National Print and Drawing Show.

1988

Summer Group Exhibition, (invitational), Women's
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Third Annual Governor's Residence Art Collection
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1987-88, Columbus, Ohio. Selected by the Ohio Arts
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 Gallery,

Ohio University, Chillicothe

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 SUNY College at Cortland

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School of Fine Arts, Willoughby,
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EXHIBITIONS (continued)

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One person exhibition (prints), Krasl Art Center,
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Faculty Exhibition, Western Michigan University
Michigan Artists Competition, Battle Creek

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MFA thesis exhibition (one person, prints), Gallery II,
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MA presentation (one person, prints), Gallery II,
Western Michigan University,
Michigan Association of Printmakers Biennial
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October 27, 1990

Tom Hinson
Curator of Contemporary Art
The Cleveland Museum of Art
11150 East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Tom,

I have just finished another in the group of large woodcut prints I have been working on; it is 48" x 24" and as yet has no firm title. I hope that you will be able to add the enclosed slide to the others I sent you, if you have not finished looking at them yet.

I appreciate your interest in my work.

Sincerely,

Mary

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October 4, 1990

Tom Hinson
Curator of Contemporary Art
The Cleveland Museum of Art
11150 East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Tom,

I am currently working on a new group of woodcut prints the same size (48") as the large print in the recent May Show. The first one is complete, and there are slides of it here; the second is about half finished, but not ready for proofing yet.

Thanks very much for your interest.

Sincerely,

Mary

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Slide list

Woodcut prints

- 1) Hard Times, 48" x 12", 1990
- 2) Hard Times, detail, 12" x 10 3/4"
- 3) Hard Times, detail, 11" x 11"
- 4) New Dreams for Old, 46" x 24", 1989
- 5) New Dreams for Old (detail), 12" x 12"
- 6) The Genealogists, 21" x 22", 1989
- 7) Many Thanks, 24" x 18", 1990
- 8) Aegean Appointment, 18" x 24", 1989
- 9) Star Box, 12" x 12", 1990
- 10) Through the Magic Box, 12" x 12", 1989
- 11) Beyond the Magic Box, 12" x 12", 1989

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1975-8 Cleveland Institute of Art, BFA program,
printmaking major (no degree)
1950 Oberlin College, B.A., English Literature, 1950

EMPLOYMENT

- 1986 to 1990
Editor, NOVA (New Organization for the Visual Arts),
Cleveland, Ohio. (free-lance, part-time)
1986 to 1988
Programs Assistant, NOVA (New Organization for the
Visual Arts), Cleveland, Ohio. (part-time)
1982 to 1986
Department of Art, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.
Instructor, Graduate teaching assistant (1982-3),
subsequently part-time instructor, (1984-6)
Exhibitions Director, interim, part time, fall term 1985.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 1990 Guest Curator, FAVA (Firelands Association for the Visual
Arts, Oberlin, Ohio) exhibition: "New from NOVA".
1988 Consultant, British Petroleum Corporation, Cleveland,
Exhibition co-ordinator for Atrium Gallery "Art
in Special Places" exhibition.
1982-3
Guest Curator, "The Corporation Collects Art:
Michigan", a traveling loan exhibition sponsored by the
Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph, Michigan

PUBLISHED WRITING

- 1984-89
I have regularly written exhibitions reviews for both
Dialogue and The New Art Examiner; the most recent
appeared in the Summer, 1990 issue of The New Art Examiner.
1989
"Curated Exhibitions: an Interview with Nina Felshin",
NOVA Quarterly, Summer, 1988.
1984
Strike/Restrike: The Revitalized Print. Published by
Gallery II, Western Michigan University, ISBN
0-390889-00-2. Research and authorship of catalogue
entries for major traveling print exhibition from
university collection.

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SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 1990 Space Gallery, Western Michigan University (one person)
71st Annual May Show, Cleveland Museum of Art (juried)
Award: Special Mention, graphics
Trumbull Art Gallery, Warren, OH (one person)
All Ohio '90, Canton Art Institute (juried)
- 1989 70th Annual May Show, Cleveland Museum of Art (juried)
4th Clemson National Print and Drawing Exhibition (juried)
Lowry Center Gallery, The College of Wooster, OH (one person)
- 1988 Summer Group Exhibition, Women's City Club Gallery,
Cleveland, OH (invitational)
Prints From the Print Club 63rd Annual Exhibition,
(traveling exhibition)
- 1987 63rd Annual International Competition, The Print Club,
Philadelphia (juried)
Art at Park, international exhibition, Park Synagogue,
Cleveland, OH (invitational)
Third Annual Governor's Residence Art Collection 1987-88,
Columbus, OH. Curated by Ohio Arts Council (invitational)
Stevenson Hall Gallery, Ohio University, Chillicothe, OH
(one person, painting)
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- 1985 Art at Park, international exhibition, Park Synagogue,
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International Print Biennial, Miami, FL (juried)
Michiana Regional Biennial, South Bend, IN (juried)
Faculty Exhibition, Western Michigan University
Michigan Artists Competition, Battle Creek (juried)
- 1983 Gallery II, Western Michigan University, MFA thesis
exhibition, (one person)
- 1982 Michigan Fine Arts Exhibition, Bloomfield Hills Art
Center (juried)
- 1980 Gallery II, Western Michigan University, MA degree
presentation (one person)
Michigan Association of Printmakers Biennial (juried)
Michigan Artists 80/81, SW Region, curated by the
Detroit Institute of Art (juried)
Michiana Regional Biennial, South Bend IN (juried)
- 1976 Drawing Exhibition, NOVA, Cleveland, OH (juried)
- 1975 Drawing Exhibition, NOVA, Cleveland, OH (juried)

OTHER

1990 The College of Wooster, Winter Semester Activities
Calendar, woodcut print selected for cover.

1985 Pennsylvania Review, fall issue, portfolio commission
of five relief prints.

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

The Cleveland Museum of Art
Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph, MI
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